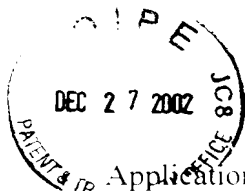


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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated June 27, 2002, be extended for a period of **three** months from **September 27, 2002** to and including **December 27, 2002**.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be **\$460.00** (small entity). Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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